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**MS PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), is a Continuation application of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP02/10452 and PCT/JP02/10453 filed on October 8, 2002. The present application is filed on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.41(c).

Inventors: Shigeru IBARAKI; Takeo KIUCHI; Tsuneo ENDOH; and Akihisa SATO

For: RANKINE CYCLE SYSTEM AND VEHICLE THEREWITH

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of twenty-six (26) pages
- ☒ Twenty-four (24) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
- ☐ Applicant does not claim priority
- ☒ Applicant claims the right of priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a) based on Application No(s). 2001-346755; and 2001-348081 filed in Japan on October 9, 2001; and October 10, 2001,



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- ☐ Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.  
☒ Certified copy(ies) will follow.

- ☒ Priority of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP02/10452 and PCT/JP02/10453 filed on October 8, 2002 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120.
- ☒ Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow
- ☐ An assignment of the invention
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement w/PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- ☐ Other:

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:


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Respectfully submitted,

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